

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-72240; File No. SR-OC-2014-01)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; OneChicago, LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change to Suspend Competitive Trading of EFPs

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(7) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")¹, notice is hereby given that on May 23, 2014, OneChicago, LLC ("OneChicago," "OCX," or the "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule changes described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule changes from interested persons. OneChicago has also filed this proposed rule change with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC"). OneChicago filed a written certification with the CFTC under Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA")² on May 13, 2014.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Description of the Proposed Rule Change

OneChicago is proposing to file with the SEC Notice to Members ("NTM") 2014-5. NTM 2014-5 suspends the trading of competitive Exchange of Future for Physical ("EFP") transactions. After the close of trading on May 12, 2014, market participants may no longer execute transactions in competitive EFPs on the OCX.BETS central limit order book. Market participants may, however, continue to transact privately-negotiated, off-exchange EFPs and report the futures portion of such trades through the Exchange's block and EFP system called OCX.BETS in accordance with OCX Rule 416.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(7).

² 7 U.S.C. 7a-2(c).

The rule change is attached as <u>Exhibit 4</u> to the filing submitted by the Exchange but is not attached to the published notice of the filing.

II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change</u>

In its filing with the Commission, OneChicago included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule changes and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule changes. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The self-regulatory organization has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The purpose of OneChicago's filing is to suspend, until further notice, competitive trading of EFPs on the OneChicago System. OneChicago is taking this action due to concerns expressed by the SEC Division of Trading and Markets with respect to OneChicago's offering of competitive EFP transactions.

2. Statutory Basis

OneChicago believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,³ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁴ in particular, in that it is designed to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, and remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and national market system. OneChicago believes that suspending transactions with uncertain regulatory requirements will allow market participants to execute only those types

³ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78(f)(b)(5).

of transactions that are certain to comply with the Act and the CEA.

B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

OneChicago does not believe that the rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because it applies to all market participants equally.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

Comments on the OneChicago proposed rule change have not been solicited and none have been received.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>The proposed rule change became effective on May 12, 2014.

At any time within 60 days of the date of effectiveness of the proposed rule change, the Commission, after consultation with the CFTC, may summarily abrogate the proposed rule change and require that the proposed rule change be refiled in accordance with the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Act.⁵

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic comments:

• Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or

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⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

 Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-OC-2014-01 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission,
100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-OC-2014-01. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet website (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer

to File Number SR-OC-2014-01, and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 6

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⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).